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TEN CENTS A WEEK

## PLOTS TO KILL CZAR

Carefully Laid, but Frustrated by the Police.

### WOMAN IN ONE OF THE CASES

Selected to Execute Imperial Terroristic Act Her Courage Failed Her and She Took Poison—Woman Was Found in a Dying Condition.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 20.—A well-dressed woman, about 18 years old, was found in a dying condition Tuesday at the station of the Tsarkoe-Selo railroad. She confessed to having been selected to execute an imperial terroristic act, but her courage failed her, she said, and she took poison.

The woman so far has not been identified.

Emperor Nicholas left Peterhoff for Tsarkoe-Selo intending to spend the winter there.

What was believed to be a carefully laid plot to assassinate the emperor was believed to have been frustrated by the vigilance of the road way guards while the imperial party was on its way to Tsarkoe-Selo.

Early in the morning of Nov. 9, a guard discovered six men trying to cut the wire of a semaphore signal at Ligovo station, at the junction of the railroads to Peterhoff and Tsarkoe-Selo. The guard made an attempt to arrest the men, but was fired on and wounded by the supposed terrorists, who made their escape.

### FIGHTING TAX LEVIED.

Assessment Ordered to Oppose Anti-Boycott Injunction.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 20.—The American Federation of Labor, amid great enthusiasm, Monday adopted, without a dissenting vote, the report of its special committee on the anti-boycott Van Cleave-Buck Stove and Range company injunction suit, now pending in Washington, the report making provision for the immediate assessment of a 1 cent per capita tax on all affiliated organizations, International and local, to be used in fighting this suit, and as a general fund for defense against any other attacks by the Manufacturers' association.

The whole question of the defense of the Van Cleave suit was left to President Gompers and the executive council, who are given authority to make any other necessary changes and such expenditures as they may deem wise and expedient.

### SNAPSHOT ARTIST CHASED.

Tried to Get Picture of Miss Vanderbilt's Fiance.

New York, Nov. 20.—Szechenski, fiance of Miss Gladys Vanderbilt, and Munson Morris, a wealthy clubman, chased F. J. Perrett, a snapshot artist, for several blocks and then caused the photographer's arrest because he annoyed the count and a party of ladies by endeavoring to take flash-light pictures as the party was leaving the horse show. Later in court, Perrett told an interesting story of the difficulties of his profession and the chances he had to take. Magistrate Drogolet inflicted only a small fine, saying he did this in view of the camera man's frankness.

### Was Mortally Wounded.

Gainesville, Fla., Nov. 20.—McQueen Chairs shot and mortally injured his cousin, Tom McQueen, at Oldtown, on the Suwannee river, Sunday. It is said that McQueen was advancing on Chairs with a gun, threatening to shoot. Both parties are members of one of the oldest families in Lafayette county and are prominent and extensive stockmen.

### Tooth Pulling Proved Fatal.

Montgomery, Ala., Nov. 20.—J. H. Blue, a white barber, is dead at his home, on Virginia avenue, as a result of having four teeth pulled. The extractions were made Sunday. He was predisposed to free bleeding, and the flow of blood could never be stopped. He died at noon Monday.

### SEABOARD ADOPTS RATES.

Comer Wins Victory in Seaboard's Adoption of Georgia Rates.

Montgomery, Ala., Nov. 20.—Governor Comer has been notified that the Seaboard Air Line railroad and its subsidiary line, the Atlanta-Birmingham Air Line, will put into effect the legal rates of transportation fixed by the last legislature.

The passenger rate the road is allowed to charge is 2 3/4 cents a mile, a quarter of a cent higher than the Terrell rate in Georgia.

The freight rates are the same which have long obtained in Georgia the Georgia rate being the basis of the settlement.

This is another decisive victory for Governor Comer, who has insisted that Alabama should be treated as fairly by the railroads as Georgia. This was one of the strongest issues in his campaign for the office of railroad commissioner and later for governor. He insisted that on 110 specified articles freight rates and classifications were changed when the boundary line of Alabama was crossed. This he showed to be a disadvantage to Alabama.

The Georgia rates and classifications for this state were insured by legislative action. The Southern and Seaboard Air Line have finally agreed to put these rates into effect.

The agreement under which the Seaboard will withdraw all pending suits and put the rates into effect were made by L. Sevier, vice president of the road, with Governor Comer.

### MERGER CASE TO BE TRIED.

To Test Validity of Purchase of Certain Railroads.

Columbia, S. C., Nov. 20.—Judge George Johnston, special judge in charge of the circuit court of civil cases states that the celebrated "merger" suit against the Southern railway would be tried at this term. There was some speculation as to this case coming up.

The "merger" suit was directed by the general assembly several years ago to test the validity of the purchase of the old South Carolina and Georgia road, between Columbia and Charleston, it being claimed that the Southern had bought up a parallel or competing line, which is forbidden by the constitution.

Several suits were filed for recovering the penalty, half of which goes to the plaintiff bringing a suit of this kind, and in order to settle it the legislature decided to have the validity of the purchase tested. It is a very interesting case and involves millions of dollars.

Attorney General Lyon is not in the city and therefore, could not be seen for a statement. Judge Johnston is presiding in place of Judge Oldrich, who is ill.

### Wrestling Match at Denver.

Denver, Colo., Nov. 20.—Farmer Burns won the wrestling match with Michael Dwyer at the Denver Athletic Club Monday night, the best two out of three falls. By winning the second fall, Cornish style in quick time than Dwyer had won the first. Dwyer had the right to name the style of the third bout, and chose "catch-as-catch-can." The last bout was won by Burns with a cross lock and half-Nelson in eight minutes flat.

### Bounty on Cotton.

Baton Rouge, La., Nov. 20.—A bounty on cotton was Monday night proposed for consideration of the extra session of the Louisiana legislature in a resolution introduced in the house. The resolution provides that part of the big fees now paid tax collectors and which the present extra session was summoned to reduce, be set aside as bounty money. This bounty is to be paid at the rate of \$5 per bale for cotton raised in the boll weevil affected sections of Louisiana.

### Jenkins Is Made State Agent.

Columbia, S. C., Nov. 20.—Dr. D. N. Barrow, chief clerk for Dr. S. A. Knapp, in charge of the demonstrative work of the department of agriculture, has appointed J. M. Jenkins as state agent for South Carolina work. Mr. Jenkins is a Clemson graduate and a brother of the city editor of the Greenville News.

## SITUATION IS BRIGHTER

Money Pinch Will Soon Be a Thing of Past,

### SPEEDY RELIEF PREDICTED

Action of the Government to Lighten the Money Stringency Is Expected to Restore Equilibrium in the Financial World.

Washington, Nov. 20.—President Roosevelt was commended and congratulated on Monday on the wisdom and success of the financial relief measures launched by the administration.

Many telegrams from all parts of the country, including New York, Chicago and other large cities, have been arriving at the White House, and, after being read by the president, have been referred to the secretary of the treasury, Mr. Cortelyou. The callers at the White House have each added an opinion on the optimistic side of the situation.

The president was informed from Buffalo that his letter expressing confidence in the soundness of the country had been printed in several languages in Buffalo and distributed among depositors who were making a run on a bank there, with the effect of checking the run.

### Bids for Treasury Certificates.

Before the business day of the treasury had ended many applications arrived for the new "certificates of indebtedness." The fiscal uses to which these certificates may be put will make the demand for them very general, according to the opinion of experts in the department. They may be registered in the treasury and partake of the nature of a government bond, and as such deposited as security for national bank circulation or deposits. When not registered, it is predicted they will amount to 12 1/2 cents a month, and a holder may easily obtain credit for the amount of interest he is entitled to at his bank. Assurance was given that the gold reserve of the government was behind these certificates, and this fact, added to their interest bearing feature, will make them eagerly sought.

### TO VIEW SUN'S ECLIPSE.

Party of Scientists Leave San Francisco for Flint Isle.

San Francisco, Nov. 20.—An expedition of scientists headed by Director W. W. Campbell, of Lick observatory will leave here Friday on the liner Mariposa for Flint Island, where they hope to observe the eclipse of the sun, January 3. The expedition, in which there will be twelve astronomers and other learned men, will travel on the Mariposa as far as Tahiti, where they will be met by the United States gunboat Annapolis, which will carry the party to Flint Isle.

The party will be left at Flint Isle and the Annapolis will call for them and land them at Papeete in time to take the Mariposa for home on January 13th.

### Fire at Waynesboro, Ga.

Waynesboro, Ga., Nov. 20.—The Girard cotton oil mill burned to the ground early Sunday morning and created quite a considerable lot of excitement. The mills were valued between \$20,000 and \$25,000 and were insured for about \$17,000. Girard is 25 miles from this city and the stock is owned mostly by the citizens of Girard and Dorchester county.

### Pettibone Trial Reset.

Boise, Idaho, Nov. 20.—The trial of George A. Pettibone, for complicity in the killing of former Governor Steunenberg has been reset by Judge Wood for November 25. If the Adams trial at Rathdrum is finished by that time there will be no further postponement.

### Eight Hour Day System.

Mobile, Ala., Nov. 20.—The eight hour day system inaugurated by the Every shop granted the demand of the States went into effect Tuesday. Ever yshop granted the demand except two, and these are expected to respond this week.

### FAMOUS "BACK TAX CASE."

Georgia Loses in Litigation Before the Supreme Court of U. S.

Atlanta, Nov. 20.—Georgia has lost out in her famous "back tax case" before the supreme court of the United States, according to an Associated Press dispatch received in Atlanta Monday night.

This famous suit was brought by the comptroller general against the Georgia Railroad and Banking company and the Central of Georgia Railway company to collect taxes, since 1895, on 30,000 shares of stock owned in the Western Railway of Alabama, by these roads to the extent of 15,000 shares each.

The aggregate of taxes sued for was about \$900,000, and in the event the state had won and collected these taxes, \$300,000 would have gone for state taxes and \$500,000 for city and county.

Richmond county and Augusta would have been the favored ones in the Georgia-Railroad and Banking company case and Savannah and Chatham county in the Central of Georgia case.

This suit has been in some court for the past five years. It was first brought in the federal court before Judge Newman, and the decision went against the state; it was taken to the court of appeals and again the state lost, and on a certiorari carried to the supreme court of the United States, where the state won it. It was brought again into the state courts and carried through the supreme court of Georgia, where the state won it, to the United States supreme court, from whence the decision came.

### STRUCK BY A TRAIN.

Fatal Injuries Received by Mrs. Smith of McDonough, Ga.

McDonough, Ga., Nov. 20.—Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, one of McDonough's oldest and most highly esteemed old ladies, was crossing the Southern railway at the Hampton street crossing, when she was struck by train No. 15, from Brunswick, and instantly killed. Mrs. Smith carried in her arms the little 15-months-old baby of her niece, Mrs. Ed Coker, and at first it was thought that the child had been fatally injured, too, but it later proved that it only received a severe shock, and in a few days it will be entirely well again.

Mrs. Smith had almost got across the tracks, and was struck on the right shoulder by the steam cylinder, the blow breaking the bones of the shoulder and lacerating the face to some extent. The engineer applied the emergency brakes and attempted to stop the train when he saw her on the track, but the steep down grade rendered all his efforts in vain.

### Met at Charleston.

Columbia, S. C., Nov. 20.—The Southern States Association of Commissioners of Agricultural Workers began its annual three days' session here Tuesday. The outlook is for an excellent attendance of representative men from the entire south, from Virginia to Texas. The program includes many prominent agricultural workers, who are to discuss live subjects. United States Assistant Secretary of Agricultural Hays, of Washington, is to address the association.

### Inland Waterway Convention.

Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 20.—Delegates from seventeen states met in convention here Tuesday to further the project for an inland waterway along the Atlantic coast from Massachusetts to North Carolina. Much of the route of the waterway already exists and it is proposed that the channels of the canals, rivers, bays, etc. that are to be a part of the great water course be deepened and widened so as to permit the passage of the largest warships.

### Atlanta Woman Burned to Death.

Atlanta, Nov. 20.—While burning a pile of scrap paper in her yard at 77 Hampton street, late Monday afternoon, Mrs. Essie Boyle, wife of Isaac Boyle, a printer, had her clothing ignited and before her husband, who was nearby, could extinguish the flames, was so badly burned that she died shortly after midnight. In going to the assistance of his wife, Mr. Boyle had both his hands severely burned.

## \$300,000 FIRE LOSS

Destructive Blaze Occurs at Perola, Ill.

### MANY FIRMS LOSE HEAVILY

Loss Is Partly Covered by Insurance. One Fireman Was Injured by Falling Debris—Fire Spread to Other Buildings.

Perola, Ill., Nov. 20.—A fire Tuesday in the lumber yard occupied by Brownlee & Sons, spread for a wagon company, Kirtland's carriage company, Peoria Lumber Co., and the Wheelock Wholesale Grocery company, spread to the buildings occupied by T. L. Smith Co., wholesale grocers, and Lethman, wholesale dry goods, respectively.

The total loss is estimated at \$300,000, partly covered by insurance. Butler, a fireman, was injured by falling debris.

### 18th ANNUAL CONVENTION

Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress.

Muskegon, Mich., Nov. 20.—The eighteenth annual convention of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress was being Tuesday. The congress listened to addresses of welcome and effected organization for trans-Mississippi business. On Wednesday the congress will begin the consideration of resolutions.

Matters of vast importance to the west are brought up, including water post, deepening of water ways, sale of public lands, irrigation and drainage of submerged lands.

At Tuesday's session former Governor Francis, of Missouri, welcomed Oklahoma into the union. Chief M. Tiger, of the Creek Nation, delivered an address of welcome and appeal against the removal of restrictions on the lands of the Five Civilized Tribes.

### SPECTACULAR SCENE

The Fight for Prohibition in Alabama Getting Quite Warm.

Montgomery, Ala., Nov. 20.—Two car loads of Mobile women came to the city Tuesday to lobby against the prohibition bill they found delegations from Montgomery, Birmingham and other cities had filled the galleries until not a seat was left.

It was a plan to crowd them and little children stood in the aisles and pinned ribbons on every man's most spectacular in the history of the most spectacular in the history of the state.

When the Mobile ladies arrived they found that they had to enter the already overcrowded hall. Children were kept out of the work against whisky.

### Negro Boy Shoots Playmate

Odessaville, Ga., Nov. 20.—Richards, a negro 15-year-old boy, shot and instantly killed Henry Little, a negro of the same age, at the home of the latter, Monday night. A brother of the killed boy and brother of the one doing the shooting were the only witnesses. The shooting was accidental, the other boy was intent to kill. Little was committed to jail for trial.

### Fatal Pistol Duel

Atlanta, Nov. 20.—A fatal pistol duel, fought on Decatur street, police headquarters Monday night, at the time the crowd was thickest, resulted in the wounding of Aaron Hamilton by a stray bullet. All the parties in the affair were negroes. The duel started near Butler street in a row.

### Holds Aiken Law Valid

Columbia, O., Nov. 20.—The supreme court has held the Aiken law imposing a tax of one thousand dollars on saloons in the state valid. The acts of the last session of the legislature whose validity were questioned by the illness of Governor Patterson are incidentally upheld by the decision.